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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This Supplemental Preliminary Amendment is submitted in connection above-identified application and supplements Preliminary Amendment filed April 11, 2001 in connection with the above-identified application.

Please add new claims as follows:

(New) An antisense compound at least 10 nucleotides in --37. length targeted to a nucleic acid molecule encoding a human bcl-x, wherein said antisense compound modulates the expression of human bcl-x, and wherein said antisense compound is an antisense oligonucleotide which comprises at least a 10 nucleobase portion of sequence B of Figure 1.--

(New) An antisense molecule at least 10 nucleotides in --38. length targeted to a nucleic acid molecule encoding a bcl-xl, said human wherein antisense molecule downregulates the expression of human bcl-xl,

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